SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 749 By Finney

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize William Douglas Bickers, 2006 Co-Valedictorian of Alcoa High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, William Douglas Bickers is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Alcoa High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, William Bickers has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Bickers has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in several scholastic organizations, including the Alcoa High School Marching Band, for which he stood as Drum Major and Captain, the Technology Support Team, which he served as Captain, and the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, William Bickers garnered the Triple A Award, an Academic Letter in Science, and the Commitment to Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, a devout and thoughtful member of Luke Hills Presbyterian Church, William is a member of the church's youth group and hand bell choir; and

WHEREAS, William's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bickers's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Thomas and Gloria Bickers, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, William Bickers's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2006 Alcoa High School Co-Valedictorian, William Douglas Bickers, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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